

## AN IMPORTANT CASE

Decided by Judge Goff—A Victory for West Virginia Lumbermen—Mrs. Shaw Acquitted.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligence.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Jan. 25.—As case of national interest was decided in the United States court here to-day, Judges Jackson and Goff presiding. It was the case of the United States vs. all of the lumber and mill men in the Little Kanawha Valley, and involved millions of dollars. The main points at issue were whether the rafting and drifting of logs, lumber or ties down the waters of the river or the dumping of saw dust and other refuse from mills into the river where obstructions to navigation or not. Every mill and lumber man and firm in the valley was indicted for committing alleged offenses of this kind and held to answer. This afternoon Judge Nathan Goff delivered an elaborate written opinion in the case in which every charge in the indictment, six counts in all, must be dismissed; that as to all of the counts dismissed; that the precision necessary there was lacking the precision necessary for a criminal charge; that a person charged with crime in a United States court must be distinctly informed of all the particulars constituting the offense in order that he may know what he has to meet, and that in case of either acquittal or conviction he again charged with the same offense; so also the court must be able to see upon inspection of the indictment whether from the matter set forth the specific facts charged constitute a crime. The main contention of the defendants was that they had a right to use the Little Kanawha river for the purpose of floating logs, and that the floating of logs is commerce and within the protection of the law, and that the placing of logs in the river to be floated to market was neither an obstruction to navigation nor a waste in the way of navigation, in other words, that logging is navigation and commerce itself. Upon this distinct issue raised by the lumber men the decision was wholly in their favor, the court holding that whatever right Congress might have to forbid the floating of logs in navigable streams, that vast interest had not yet been placed under the ban, and that congress had enacted no legislation to that extent. Judge Jackson concurred in the opinion and the indictments were all quashed.

Among the defendants were the Parkersburg Mill Company, representing over a million dollars, Burns Brothers, nearly a million, Little Kanawha Lumber Company, nearly a million, George H. Leatherbee, several hundred thousand, S. L. Gould, W. M. Croft, and others.

The jury of the United States court in the celebrated Shaw case came in at 5:30 this evening with a verdict of not guilty. Previous to the reading of the verdict Mrs. Shaw was sent for to hear it. The jury was out twenty hours. Mrs. Shaw, a member of one of the most respectable families in the city, was indicted at the last term of the United States court for the alleged sending of letters to different parties through the mails derogatory to the character of Miss Hilda Fischer, a young lady of unblemished reputation and fine accomplishments. The case has been on for a week or more, and has attracted more and wider attention than any court case for years. Mrs. Shaw and her able counsel, Hon. J. A. Hutchinson, are the recipients of many congratulations to-night.

A movement started in this city promises to become one of national importance. Friends and admirers of Judge Nathan Goff who has been on the United States court bench here this term are pushing him for the place on the supreme bench now vacant, and propose to use their influence with the President to that end. Judge Goff would adorn the supreme bench and all loyal West Virginians hope to see him there.

## MURDER NEAR KINGWOOD.

Allen Strauser Crushes Albert Fickey's Skull With a Club.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligence.

KINGWOOD, W. Va., Jan. 25.—Last night at two o'clock, at the house of Leroy Guthrie, six miles south of Brandanville, this county, Allen Strauser struck Albert Fickey on the head with a club, crushing the skull and causing death in three hours. Both were intoxicated, and Fickey made for Strauser with a knife. The two were always friends until a day or two ago, and are not twenty years old. Strauser has a family, and surrendered himself to the county authorities. The post mortem will be held to-morrow at nine o'clock. Public sentiment is in Strauser's favor.

## Showing His Meanness.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligence.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., Jan. 25.—John Rose a colored man who committed a most brutal murder in this city a few weeks ago by first shooting his mistress fatally and then cutting her throat, is beginning to show his mean disposition in the jail and to-day he made a vicious attack on a fellow prisoner named Green and only the interference of the turnkey saved the latter.

## Christian Prohibitionists.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 25.—The national conference of the Christian Prohibitionists to-day discussed "What Christians should do regarding the liquor traffic." A committee on resolutions will be empowered to act and reported that the attitude of the church towards the traffic in alcoholic beverages should be one of uncompromising hostility, manifested by total abstinence personally and in church communion, and by opposition to liquor license and all organizations which do not oppose license.

## Col. Rucker's Funeral.

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—Preceded by the Eight Infantry, companies of the 15th regiment of the U. S. army the body of Col. Wm. A. Rucker, paymaster of the department of the Missouri, was borne with military pomp from St. James' Episcopal church to the Grand Central depot this afternoon to be taken to Washington for interment at Arlington.

Col. Rucker was a brother of Gen. Rucker and uncle to Gen. Phil Sheridan's wife.

## Killed.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 25.—The bill to prohibit prize fighting in Indiana, providing the principals should be fined \$5,000, and newspapers \$3,000 for printing advance notices, was killed in the house to-day.

## Wants to Beat Chicago.

ALBANY, Jan. 25.—A bill providing for the absorption by New York City of Brooklyn and nearby towns was introduced in the senate to-day by a Brooklyn man.

## Opium Smugglers Captured.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., Jan. 25.—Last night Special Agent C. K. Lewis, of this city, and Special Inspector George Carter, of New York, arrested S. J. Herry and C. J. Bend, the colored por-

ter and conductor of the sleeping car "Salmon River," for opium smuggling. Forty packages of opium were found under one of the seats in the car on its arrival in this city. The car is a Toronto-New York sleeper.

## MARTIN'S FERRY.

News Notes and Personals from Our Near Neighbor.

The funeral of Mrs. Clara Carenbauer took place yesterday afternoon from the M. E. church, and was largely attended by friends and relatives. Rev. F. N. Lynch, of Wheeling, conducted the services, assisted by Rev. A. W. Butts and Rev. D. D. Morse. The teachers and scholars of her room met at the Central building and marched to the church in a body. The services were opened by a choir, composed of Misses Ida Hoyle, Jessie Williamson, Cloda Anthony, Maud Garber and Mrs. Anna Kerr, singing the hymn "Gone with Jesus." Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Morse, followed by the hymn, "Only Remembered," by the choir. The one hundred and third Psalm and fourteenth chapter of John were then read by Rev. Butts, after which "Mr. Lynch addressed the audience from the text: "What I do, thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter"—John, 13:7. At the conclusion of his remarks, the choir sang "Blest be the tie that binds," after which the congregation passed around and took a last look at the remains. The floral offerings were beautiful. That of the teachers was a handsome broken column, composed of roses, hyacinths, pink and white carnations and smilax. The children of her room presented a basket of beautiful roses, and the King's Daughters, a beautiful maltese cross, the badge of the society. The pall-bearers were R. C. Montgomery, Albert W. Harrie, Robert Blackford, Thomas Mitchell, Samuel Carey and Bert Shaver.

Elsworth Craig and Florence Cockroft, both of Clark's addition, were seriously hurt while coasting on Center street Tuesday evening. Craig had his face painfully cut and bruised, and Cockroft his leg broken just above the ankle, which will lay him up for some time.

Mrs. Louie Holling and Mrs. Fred Oberdick were called to Harrieville yesterday by the death of their sister, Mrs. Sophia Schaal, who died Tuesday night of heart trouble.

E. J. Hoyle writes home that he has reached Carthage, N. M., the end of his journey, and is very well pleased with the outlook.

Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Hall entertained Mrs. Hall's Sunday school class last evening at their home on North Fourth street.

Garnet Council of the National Union will hold its third annual meeting on Friday evening at Dr. Hall's dental parlors.

Robert Mordough and wife, of Pleasant Grove, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Van Pelt.

Mr. Daniel Crumbley, of the county road, is seriously sick with typhoid fever.

Louis Frick, of Etnaville, is confined to his house with rheumatism.

## MOUNDSVILLE.

A Miscellaneous Melange of Minor Matters from Marshall's Metropolis.

When W. W. Jasper, the father of Ed Jasper, who was killed at Wheeling on Monday, heard of his son's death, he was so overcome that he was stricken down with paralysis and has been lying in a precarious condition ever since. It is not thought that he will ever rally. He is quite old. The mother is also quite aged, and although subject to heart trouble, she bore up bravely and was able to attend the funeral.

Council held a special meeting last night and appointed J. C. Simpson, George H. Jones and James H. McGill a committee to go to Charleston and look after the interests of the city in the matter of state grounds needed for street purposes.

It would be well to look out for repeaters in the Sixth ward to-day, as a number of Moundsvillians threaten to go up and vote for their old friend, Captain Andrew Carney, of the Royal Blue line.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Roberts have moved in from the country and now occupy their new residence in the Third ward. Their house in the country was destroyed by lightning last summer.

A. L. Whitaker was here yesterday settling up the affairs of the McMillan estate. The sale of the farm was not set aside as expected, and Mr. Powers becomes the owner at \$4,775.

The remains of Edward Jasper, who was killed at the B. & O. yards at Wheeling, Monday, were interred here yesterday. The funeral occurred at the M. E. church.

An infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Brandon died yesterday of scarlet fever. There are several cases of this disease in town now.

Master Karl Freller, who has been attending Linsley Institute, is confined to his room by an attack of typhoid fever.

Mrs. A. J. Laing, of Wheeling, and Mrs. Edward Dowler, of Los Angeles, California, have been visiting friends here.

Lee Anshutz, pilot of the Annie Laurie, is stopping at the Henratta house while the river is ice-bound.

George M. Conner has qualified as administrator of the estate of the late W. F. Keyser.

## Admitted the Facts.

Newspaper editors have to be very careful in opening their columns for statements. But aware that the Dr. Miles Medical Co. are responsible, we make room for the following testimonial from R. McDougall, Auburn, Ind., who for two years noticed a stoppage or skipping of the pulse, his left side got so tender he could not lie on it, his heart fluttered, he was alarmed, went to different doctors, found no relief, but one bottle of Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure cured him. The elegant book, "New and Startling Facts," free at Logan Drug Co's. It tells all about Heart and Nervous Diseases and many wonderful cures.



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## BRILLIANT.

All Sorts of Local News and Gossip from the Glass City.

The natural bridge which has afforded pedestrians such favorable opportunity for crossing the river at this point for two weeks past, has demonstrated that when another bridge spans the Ohio it should have some reference to the rapidly growing town of Benwood. For two weeks there has been an almost constant stream of people passing to and from this city and Benwood. The linking of Bellair to Wheeling by a bridge can as well be done with reference to this traffic as without it, and indeed better. It will pay the bridge company better.

Heatherington's coal mine is again on fire and the men who were cleaning away the debris and putting in new props, so that they might resume work again with safety, were compelled to quit. The mine had been tightly closed for two weeks to smother the fire, but when the air was let in again it rekindled and seems to have burned through the rooms into the coal back of the entry. The damage to this mine is incalculable, as the fire has been going for about six weeks.

The funeral of Fred Eberle yesterday afternoon was a very large one. Spangler Post, G. A. R., never before turned out as many at a funeral, and with the Odd Fellows, Druids and people generally, the square in which the German church is located was packed. It was a splendid tribute of respect to a valiant soldier and worthy citizen.

The engine was started and the machinery in the Novelty Stamping Works tried and everything works like a charm. This new industry will probably go on full next week, and Roderfer Bros. glass works will resume at that time, and together they will give employment to 800 or more persons.

Miss McNeal, who labored for some years in India and Japan, and who is now devoting her time as an evangelist in the cities, came here yesterday from Steubenville and will assist Rev. D. W. Chandler in his work at the First M. E. church.

Miss Bessie Hoge writes the sad news from India of the death of the little four-year-old daughter of Bishop and Mrs. Thoburn. They have many relatives in this section of Ohio, who will be pained to learn of their bereavement.

Some property changes hands here almost every day. Yesterday the Greenlee property, on Gravel hill, was sold to Charles Knuth for \$2,100, and the Westcott property, in lower town, was sold to John Burrows for \$1,000.

Ex-County Treasurer George Robinson was down from St. Clairsville yesterday to attend the funeral of his friend, Fred Eberle.

The local lodge of the Amalgamated Association will give a ball next week for the benefit of the Homestead defense fund.

Sam. G. Crowe and family returned yesterday from Illinois, where they have been spending some time with his parents.

Cowen & Co. held \$1,000 insurance on the Wise homestead—and contents. This leaves their loss \$1,700 or \$1,800.

The Misses Cratty will entertain the Home Benevolent society at their home in the Fourth ward this afternoon.

Charlotte Littleton has sued for divorce from her husband, Chaplain Austin Littleton.

John Parks left yesterday for a trip through the Indiana industrial towns.

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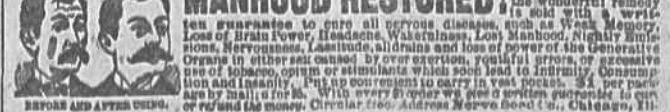
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Eight-roomed dwelling, 79 Maryland street.  
Seven-roomed dwelling, 44 South York street.  
Three-roomed dwelling, 1118 McCulloch street.  
Six-roomed dwelling, 2317 East street.  
Five-roomed dwelling, 177 Twenty-ninth street.  
Four rooms, second floor, 60 Thirteenth street.  
Five-roomed house, 104 Virginia street.  
Six-roomed dwelling, 42 North York street, possession at once.  
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No. 533 Woods street. 0.00  
No. 79 Nineteenth street. 12.00  
No. 147 Warren street. 13.00  
Five-roomed house, South Elm street. 16.00  
No. 60 North Front street. 15.00  
No. 3013 Chapline street. 16.00  
No. 64 Thirteenth street, room. 12.00  
No. 2155 Main street, room. 6.50  
No. 2231 Market street, third floor. 9.00  
No. 8215 Jacob street. 12.00  
No. 8227 Chapline street, three rooms. 8.00  
No. 2905 Main street, room. 10.00  
No. 1527 Chapline street, two upper rooms. 16.00

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